#### NEGOTIATIONS AT PEKING.

Adequate Punishment of Guilty Chinese Officials Will Be Insisted Upon-Position of United States Government.

The most important move in the Chi-nese situation during the past few days was the issuance of an Imperial decree under date of Nov. 13; at least, Minister Wu and other Chinese Ministers received what purports to be a statement concern-ing one from Director-General Sheng. The

latter says in his cablegram:
"An Imperial decree of Nov. 13 de-prives Prince Tuan and Prince Chwang of their ranks and offices, and orders them to be imprisoned for life; Prince Yih and secondary Prince Ying to be imprisoned; secondary Prince Lieu to be deprived of his rank; Duke Lan and Ying Nien to be degraded in rank; Kang-Yi being dead, no penalty can be imposed upon him, and Chao-Shu-Chiao to be degraded but re-tained in office, and Yu Ssien to be exiled

to the farthest boundary."

It is noticed that Prince Tuan, against whom the most of the avenging feeling of the foreigners is directed, as being a personally prime mover in the atrocities manages to remain in a situation from which, when the storm blows over, there is nothing to prevent an extrication by pardon of the Emperor and Empress. He and the other officials mentioned are among the highest in China and comprise now most, if not all, of those against whom the Powers demand rigorous punishment. Tuan, according to a previous edict, has been degraded and his office and servants taken away. But the sincer ity of the whole thing is much to be ones ed, and it would be difficult for the world to find out, unless the officials of the Powers are especially and authori-tatively observant, whether Tuan and others are punished at all. Two of Tuan's associates were specifically mentioned for punishment in Secretary Hay's note of Oct. 3, advising the Chinese Government that this Government would expect the officials to receive their deserts. Kang-Yi is one of the officials alleged to have died suddenly after the demands were made; Yu Hsien is another reported to have committed suicide

at Peking will soon be ready to present their formulated demands to Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching. It is said that the last meeting developed fewer differences over important points than was expected, which is accounted for on the belief that the Ministers had received definite instructions from their home Gov-

The United States Government regards some of the propositions agreed upon as unwise, but has not felt that that fact justified the United States in withdrawing from the concert of the Powers. There have been rather severe criticisms in the English press regarding our attitude, which, as is so often the case in Europe, has been misunderstood. An authoritativ statement was unofficially published in the newspapers as the result of these attacks, in which it was stated that "so far from the Government interposing any obstacle to an agreement among the Powers at Peking, Mr. Conger has been instructed frequently and in urgent terms to do every thing possible to bring about a speedy agreement. This Government took no part in the expedition to Pao Ting Fu, but it made no protest against it, and has given no expression of opinion to the other Powers as to its propriety. This Goverament is in agreement with the Powers in demanding severe and adequate punishment of the principal wrong-doers, indem nity for the past and security for the fu-ture. It does not, however, at this dis-tance, presume to decide who are the most guilty, what punishment must be inflicted in each particular case, and what sentences are possible of execution. These matters, as well as that of the indemnity, are left to the negotiators on the spot. It is to be presumed that they will not exact a reparation, either personal or pe-cuniary, which it would be beyond the power of China to carry out."

Pressure is being brought upon Secre-

tary Hay to secure early peace in China. He has been petitioned by nearly all the leading cotton manufacturers of the South to take such action as may be possible to prevent the interference by any European Power that might close the foreign mar-News that might cose the foreign markets to the important cotton manufactures of the United States, as well as injuring many other American interests. The petitioners declare that the "open door" policy is necessary to secure the retention of the important trade in cotton drills and shirtings. The petitioners represent \$15,000,000 in capital and claim they have lost half their trade since the Boxer up-

It cannot be conceded, however, that disapproval is entertained of the attitude of the German military commander in China, as the primitive expeditions are calculated to cause fresh outbreaks. The purpose of the State Department is to prevent the destruction of the Chinese in-tegrity upon pretexts; to maintain the open door; secure indemnities for the past and guarantees for the future. Reports from influential Chinese sources are to the effect that American prestige has been augmented instead of injured by the moderate course adopted, although it is safe to say that such persons as the Emsaie to say that such persons as the Emperor and Empress themselves care nothing for the slaughter of several hundreds of Chinese. However, the Empress has seen in to censure Chang and Ching for their failure to prevent the dispatch of the primitive expeditions into the interior. And the amusing thing about it all is that the Kaiser, who exharted his soldiers. And the amusing thing about it all is that the Kaiser, who exhorted his soldiers to fearfully avenge Ketteler and other mur-dered Germans, now professes indignation because his soldiers have massacred with a free hand, looted tombs and otherwise-behaved like their barbarian ancestors.

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### PERSONAL.

Andrew Filer, a veteran of Co. F. 12th N. Y., and a comrade of Grover Post, 98, died at the Cortiand Hospital, Cortland, N. Y., Nov. 2, the result of being struck the day before by the caboose of a coal train at the D. L. & W. R. R. crossing, Homer avenue, that city, where he was employed as a flagman. He was born in Germany, but came to this country before the war. He enlisted Nov 19, 1861, served three years and was honorably discharged. He was in the battles of Malvern Hill, Second Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Geitysburg, Spottsylvania Courthouse, Cold Harbor, Yellow Tavern and the siege of Petersburg. He was wounded at Bull Run. Since the war he had been employed by the D. L. & W. R. R. for many years. He was buried from the Homer M. E. Church with military honors by Grover Post, 98, 40 old comrades attending the service and marching to the

At Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 17, Lamp-At Des Mones, towa, Nov. 17, Lampson P. Sherman, brother of the late John Sherman, suffered a stroke of paralysis, from which he may not recover. He is over 80 years old, and the stroke, his physicians say, has rendered him permanently blind. His brother willed him \$10,000.

Assistant Paymaster J. S. Barber, of the Navy, nephew of Mrs. McKinley, died at Hong Kong, Nov. 15, of typhoid fever. He collisted as a private in the Ohio Vol-unteers at the beginning of the Spanisk war, together with Jas. McKinley, a nephew of the President, and was com-mended for gallant conduct.

Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota, will have the solid support of Republi-cans of the Minnesota Legislature for re-election this Winter. They are very well satisfied with his first term as Senator.

Comrade Rufus, Waggener, who has been appointed Postmaster at Hillshoro, Ore., was born in Indiana in 1842, but taken by his parents to Iowa in 1846. At (Continued from first page.)

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the age of 18 he enlisted in the 3d Iowa.

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kept a hotel in Hillsboro for 18 years

Disputing an item going the rounds that the last survivor of the Alabama's crew recently died, in the person of Jerry Lynch, aged 72, Mr. Wu. N. Snow, Burton's Creek, Va., says that he served on

the Alabama from the time she was con missioned, off the Azore Islands, until sh

was sunk off Cherbourg, June 19, 1864, and besides him there are T. F. Howard, Wilmington, N. C.; Mr. Miller, of Chien-

o; Mr. Kershaw, of Lynchburg, Va., and

Second Lieut, Palmer G. Wood, 12tl

S., son of Maj. Palmer G. Wood, 41st S. Wols., died in Luzon, Nov. 17, of

malarial fever. He entered the army as a private in the 3d U. S., in August, 1857

d Sept. 11, 1899, was promoted to Sec

MUSTERED OUT.

CRAVEN .- At Faribault, Minn., Oct.

FRANKENSTEIN.—At Chicago, Ill., et. 18, Frederick Frankenstein, 20th N.

HAYES .- At Medicine Lodge, Kan. Nov. 1, Samuel A. Hayes, Co. F. 64th Ohio, aged 57. He was a member of El-

dred Post. A widow and three children

INNES.—At Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17, ohn Arndt Innes, Co. B, 51st Pa., aged

caping without a scratch. After muster-out, while returning to his home, his horse

Mold was Past Commander.

MYERS,—At Chicago, Ill., Oct. 23,
Wm. J. Myers, Co. C, 22d Ind.

G, 28th Me., aged 60. He was a mem-ber of the Orange County Veterans' As-sociation. A widow and two children sur-

PARROTT.—At Olympia, Wash., Hen-ry J. Parrott, Co. E, 36th Iowa. He en-

listed at Ottumwa, Iowa, in 1862, and was discharged June 21, 1864, on account of

RICHARDSON .- At Billerica, Mass.

STEWART.—At Eik Grove, Cal., Oct. i, S. C. Stewart, Co. H, 2d N. Y. Cav.,

STRICKROTT.-At Clinton, Mass, Oct. 13, Albrecht Strickrott, Co. H. 106th Ohio, aged 57. He was born in Prussia,

came to this country in 1860 and served over three years. He moved to Clinton,

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his mind that he was being shadowed, and he resolved to be guarded in his move-ments, to refrain from writing any reports or making any notes that could possibly betray him. He returned to the office and bar-room of the Worsham Hotel, and spent an hour or two reading and smoking While thus occupied, three military offi-cers entered and stood near the bar in ani-mated conversation. Webster samitered toward them, and heard one of the trio-man whom the others addressed as "Doc

"Yes, gentlemen, that is a true principle t will not do to let a man set foot on Ken tucky soil until the Northern troops disre-gard the neutrality of that State." Catching the drift of the conversation Vebster stepped forward and said:
"I beg pardon, sir; will you permit u

ask one question?"
The three officers turned toward him with expressions of mild surprise in their

"Certainly, sir; certainly." "Do you suppose," added Webster, "that Kentucky will allow the Northern army to march through the State without showin

"Not by a jug-full," was the prompt re sponse. "The moment the Northern army crosses the Ohio River Kentucky will rise n arms and take sides with the South." "If she doesn't," said Webster, with much apparent warmth, "she will prove

herself unworthy of the respect of any true Southern men." The doctor's face brightened up and he aid his hand approvingly on the scout's shoulder.

"May I ask where you are from?"
"I was born in Kentucky and reared in
Maryland," was the quiet reply, "and I
am now direct from Bultimore."

shaking hands in the most vigorous fash-"Baltimore!" repeated the doctor, hi face red with his recent exertion. "My friend, we are always glad to meet a Bal-

imorean, for we know there is many a "Webster—Timothy Webster."
"A devilish good name, Mine is Buron. My friends all call me Doctor Buron. My friends all call me Doctor Buron.

ton. Allow me to introduce you to Col Dalgetty and to Capt. Stanley, of the Ar ansas Rifles,"
The introduction was cordially acknowle dged on both sides, and Webster the

until his time was out in the midst of the Atlanta campaign. He came home and married Miss Anna B. Bailey, and "Gentlemen, I was about to call for drink when I heard you speak of Ken tucky. I am happy to know that there is eight children have been born to them. He migrated to Oregon in 1872, and has still hope for that State. Will you drink her health with me?" He has been a member of the G. A. R.

And in the clinking of the glasses and he qualling of their favorite beverages the ew link of friendship was forged

Webster's new friends were men whon ne believed he could use to advantage and he determined to improve the chance that had thrown him in contact with them He found them not only very well in formed, but disposed to be communicative and he therefore applied the "pumping" rocess with all the skill at his command He experienced no difficulty in making this node of operation effectual, for these offi ers were exceedingly willing to air their mowledge for the benefit of their Balti more friend, and enjoyed his frequent ex-pressions of agreeable surprise at the ex-tent of the preparations made by the peo-ple of the South to defend their rights.

Dr. Burton was the most conspicuou one of the group, from his very pompous ness. He wore a superfluity of gorgeous gold lace on his uniform and assumed the dignity of a Major-General. He was a flabby-faced, bulbons-eyed individual, with BOYD.—At Lockport, Ill., Oct. 24, a wonderful stomach for harboring liquor, Kinksley R. Boyd, Co. G, 33d Wis., aged and that unceasing flow of spirits arising and that unceasing flow of spirits arising from a magnified sense of his own importance. It was evident, even upon a short acquaintance, that the doctor found his chief entertainment in listening to himself talk, a species of recreation in which he pleasure with as many others as would after dinner the farty visited the camparant him a hearing. 14. John Craven, 2d Minn. Battery, aged 68. He was buried under auspices of Michael Cook Post, 9.

fighting in these parts, and that before we posed to Northen braggadocio; told how are many days older," said the doctor, well they were prepared to meet the on-

MILLER.-At Bellefonte, Pa., May 17, you have told me, however, I am sure the Lincoin troops will find you fully prepared to give them a warm reception here."

"That they will, sir; that they will." to rest and enjoy the grateful shade, as it was the emphatic rejoinder. "We have was a warm and sunny afternoon. While J. A. Miller, Co. A. 148th Pa. He was a brave soldier, and with his regiment took part in 28 hard-fought battles, esto give them a warm reception here.

"No doubt of it, doctor; but how do you expect to get two hours' notice?"
"Lord bless you. Webster, we have men watching the movements of the Yankees at Cairo, and the minute they make a nove we are notified. Then our signal gun is fired, and every man is mustered." "A good arrangement, truly," said the

detective, quietly.
"You look as if you could do some hard Nathan A. Richardson, 15th Mass. Bat-SCHROEDER.—At Dallas, Tex., Sept. 9, William Schroeder, Co. K, 7th N. Y. He was a member of John A. Dix Post. He was a gallant soldier and a good citi-Col. Dalgetty.

The detective smiled, "I have been fighting against great odds

Mass, soon after the war, and was an overseer in the Lancaster Mills. He was a member of Baker Post, 64, G. A. R., and several other fraternal societies. He leaves a widow, a son and a daughter.

Wolf.—At Chicago, Ill., Nov. 3, Chas. Wolf, Sergeant, Co. I, 108th N. Y.

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SPY OF THE REBELLION off his uniform hat and put it on Webster's head.

"Excuse me Mr. Webster," he said, "I merely wish to see how you look in one of our hats." Then stepping back, he added: "By the gods, nothing could be more becoming." My dear follow, you must have

one by all means if you stay among us."

Webster engleavoyed laughingly to object, but they all refused to accept "no"
for an answer. So, finding it impossible to resist, he went with them to a neigh-

"Fit a hat to Mr. Webster's head—a hat just like mine," said Dr. Burton to the proprietor; then, tanging to the scout, he added: "We will have you a cord and tassel of blue, as that will show that you

tasset of bine, as that will show that you are true to the cause, although you do not belong to the military."

The hatter produced a secession chapeau of the kind and size required, and Webster at once put it on, much to the delight of the doctor, who slapped Webster familiarly on the shoulder, with the evel-amation. xelamation:

"Now, my dear fellow, you can consider "Perfectly at home," echoed Col. Dal-

"Henceforward you are one of us," put n the Lieutenant Webster thanked them cordially for

their kindness, and promised to wear it in preference to any other. As they stepped outside of the store, however, all thoughts of the new hat were temporarily driver from his mind, for, standing on the side walk, within a few yards of the store oor, and looking directly at him, was the identical individual whom he had noticed on the train, who had arrested the Northern stranger the night before.

The gaze which this vigilant agent of the Safety Committee now bent upon Webster was full of dark suspicion, but after one swift glance at him the detective turned away with an air of perfect comnow direct from Baltimore."

Baltimore!" ejaculated the whole trio there is and the next moment were all aking hands in the moment were all the way still being a this evidence that he was still being closely followed, would be only to tell the truth. His first impolse was to speak to his companions about it, but a second thought decided him not to mention the matter to any one, nor to betray by word or act that he had the dighter than the second to be suspicion that he was being watched.

three officers introduced Webster to a large number of soldiers and citizens, and before the day was over he had quite an extended circle of acquaintances Memphis. Dr. Burton, who had conceived a fancy for him, as sudden as it was pronounced, assumed a sort of paternal con-trol over Webster, hovering about him with an air of protection and solicitude.

and drawing the scout's arm through his when they walked together.

That afternoon, Webster, desiring to be alone for awhile, hired one of the hacknen at the door of the hotel to drive him three or four miles into the country. He went down the river road, and, as it was beautiful day, he enjoyed himself admir ng the picturesque scenery along the way. Just below the town, on the bank of the iver, he found a small encampment of oldiers with a battery, who were on the lookout for boats coming up the river, and during his ride he saw several encampnents of the same mature. After spending several hours inspecting the fortifica tions along the river, Webster returned to the hotel, which he reached about dark.

VISIT TO REBEL CAMP.

The next day Dr. Burton and several of military friends sought out the detectve and urged him to go with them to

"Gentlemental am at your service," said Webster, earnestly, ""I think I would en-joy a visit to your camp to-day above all

They went to the levee, and at 10 o'clock were on the boat, steaming up the river toward Mound City, where Camp Rector was ideated, a distance of some pleasure with as many others as would grant him a hearing.

In Webster he found an attentive auditor, which so flattered his vanity that he at once formed a strong attachment for my operative and placed himself on familiar and confidential terms with him.

"Webster, we've got to do some hard forbling in those parts and that before we posed to Northen braggadagic; told how the depot, and the two agents of the Safe-ty Committee did the same. The conductor stood near by, and Webster spoke to him in a tone which he meant his shadows to hear, asking: "How soon will there be a train for Humboldt?"

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"I think you are right," conceded the delight in exhibiting to the visitor a porscout. We must fight it out. From what ere prepared to meet the on-

out, while returning to his home, his horse became frightened and upset the buggy. Comrade Miller's leg was broken, crippling him for life.

MOLD.—At Faribault, Minn., Oct. 20, Joseph C. Mold, Co. B, 8th Minn., aged 66. He was buried under 'auspices of Michael Cook Post, 9, of which Comrade Miller's leg was broken and four or five companies besides, at Camp Rector, and Gen. Pillow has 3,700 men at the camp in the rear of Fort Harris, which is a little above us on this side of the river. We expect of the Southern army, their conversation was into the one of the conversation was into t MYERS.—At Chicago, Ill., Oct. 23, Wm. J. Myers, Co. C, 22d Ind.

NICKERSON.—At West Anaheim, Cal., Oct. 23, Charles H. Nickerson, Co. G, 28th Me., aged 60. He was a member of the Orange County Veterans' Association. A widow and two children surveys of the Orange County Veterans' Association. A widow and two children surveys of the Orange County Veterans' Association. A widow and two children surveys of the Orange County Veterans' Association. A widow and two children surveys of the Orange County Veterans' No doubt of it, doctor; but how do you nately not observed by any one save the orange of the Orange County Veterans' Association. A widow and two children surveys of the Orange County Veterans' Association are considered as the orange of the orange orange of the orange of the orange of the orange of the orange orange of the orange of the orange of the orange of the orange orang nately not observed by any one save the detective himself.

"That fellow is one of the Safety Com-nittee," said Dr. Burton, filling his glass.

"He appears to be looking for some one," remarked Lieut, Stanley.
"Reckon he is," answered the doctor.
"He's always looking for some one. And, by the by, those chaps are doing a heap of "You look as if you could do some hard good for the cause just now. A Northern fighting yourself, Mr. Webster," remarked man stands no show for his life in these parts if the Safety Committee spots him. They hang 'em on suspicion." "That's right," said Webster, coolly. "I

for the past two months in Baltimore. The last battle I fought was to get away from there with my life."

believe in hanging every Northern man that comes prowling around. They don't deserve a trial, for they have no right here deserve a trial, for they have no right here

there with my life."

"Yes, and we are confounded glad to receive you here," exclaimed the enthusiastic doctor, shaking Webster by the hand for the twentieth time. "Come, gentlemen, we must have another drink. Step up and nominate your 'pizen."

The glasses were filled, and some one The glasses were filled, and some one The Safety Committee was following him and that this long-haired agent of the Safety Committee was following him and that this long-haired agent of the Safety Committee was following him and that the safety contains the safety committee was following him and the safety contains the s

from the North or not. They merely suspeet, and are watching me to see if I dertake to return northward. Such ct would confirm their susp would be arrested and probably put to death as a spy. It stands me in hand to give them the slip before I take the back

After spending a very plensant day at an examp, he returned to Memphis on the the camp, he returned to Memphis on the latest boat that night, informing Dr. Buron that he was going to Chattanooga to ook up a brother whom he had not seen

'You'll come back?" said the doctor, as wrung his hand.
"Oh, certainly," was the cheerful resonse, "I'll be with you again before

Col. Gaines, of the artillery, who heard his conversation, now grasped the scont's

"Webster, you'd make a good soldier," said, bluntly. "Hang me, if I wouldn't ike to have you on my force."
Webster smiled good-naturedly.

I have some family business to attend to before I could think of entering the irmy. After that I may remind you of our remark. "All right," said the Colonel, "any time

that you are ready, come; I will make oom for you." On his way down the river Webster and, to his relief, that the man with the oad-brimmed hat was not aboard the ats. He now had a hope of being able o give his shadow the slip by leading Memphis on early train in the morning.

Arriving in sight of their destination the passengers on the ferryhoat were sur-prised to see that the levee was crowded with people. Shortly after they learned that this unusual gathering was caused by the capture of the steamboat "Prince of

"nies" by the tebels.
Webster went to the Worsham Hotel, where he spent the night, and at 5 o'clock in the morning, after making a few preparations, and dispatching an early break-fast, he repaired to the depot. Arriving there he looked carefully about on all sides, but saw no one who seemed to take any interest in his movements. "So far, good," he muttered, as he boarded the rain; and the next minute he was leaving the scene of his most recent exploits with the speed of the wind.

He was himself too shrewd and cun

ing to feel absolutely sure that he not followed. His own experience in the art of "shadowing" told him he had not yet escaped the vigilant eyes of the Safety ommittee, but he resolved to elude then

f it was possible to do so.

Innumerable troops were being trans orted at this time, and the train was rowded with soldiers. Webster amused himself by making the acquaintance of the officers, and skillfully drawing on their fund of information until the train arrived at Grand Junction, where he decided to change cars for Jackson, Tenn.

Accordingly, he abandoned the Chatta-ooga cars and boarded the north-bound train, which was in waiting at the junc-tion, and again he was whirled away across the verdure-clad country, this time toward the "land of the free." But no sooner was the train well under way than something which came under Webster's observation removed from his mind all loubt as to whether he would be permit ed to pursue his journey unmolested. He occupied a seat in the forward part of the ar, and on turning carelessly away from he window, after gazing out upon the endscape for awhile, he was somewhat surprised at seeing an individual standing on the front platform of the car, looking n through the glass door.

It was a person whose face and figure

ad already become quite familiar to him, eing no other than the man who had so existently followed him for the past fer

He seems determined not to let me ge way," thought the scout; but neither in is face nor canner did he betray any of he disappointment he felt.

He noticed that his pursuer was one this time, but was accompanied by nother person-an ill-looking man of her dean proportions-with whom he con rsed in an earnest, confidential way When the train arrived at Jackso Webster stepped out upon the platform of

"In 20 minutes," replied the conduc-

"Do you know anything about the ho tels there?" inquired the scout. "I've got to stop two or three days in the town, and

it's a strange place to me."

The conductor recommended him to good house convenient to the depot, and, thanking him for the information. Web-ster walked away. He had spoken in a tone that he knew must have been dis-tinctly heard by his enemies, and he hoped this bit of stratagem would have the de

WARNING OF DANGER, He boarded the train for Humboldt, and he brace of shadows promptly followed im, taking seats in the same car.

While the train was speeding on its vay. Webster was aroused from a reverie

y the voice of a woman, saying:
"Pardon me, sir; may I occupy a por
ion of this seat?" He looked up; a tall, very respectable looking lady was standing in the aisle and he saw in an instant that she was the

rson who had addressed him. "Certainly, madam, certainly," he re plied, and quickly made room for her. She sat down beside him, and then, to is great surprise, she began to talk to him in a low, earnest tone, without once turning her face toward him. "You are going to Humboldt?" she in-

"I am," he answered, surprised at the

question.

"You are a Northern man?"

"Madam!" A suspicion flashed, lightning-like, across his mind.

"Believe me, I am not an enemy," the
lady went on. "I have been sitting in
the rear part of this car. I heard two
men talking, and have every reason to believe they were speaking about you. They
said they would stop at the same hotel
with you in Humboldt, and keep a close
watch over you, and if you attempt to go
northward they will arrest you, take you
back to Memphis, and deal with you as vise you to be very careful, sir, for your life depends upon it."

The train by this time was approaching

Humboldt, and the lady arose and disap-peared before the astonished detective could tender his thanks for the warning. She was destined to remain an utter stranger to him for all time to come, for he never heard of her afterward. As they entered the depot, Webster passed out at entered the depot. Webster passed out at the rear end of the car, and he noticed, with a smile of satisfaction, that his at-tendant shadows were making their way out at the front. As he stepped from the car he noticed a pile of baggage near him, and, quickly stepping behind this, he watched the movements of the two men. Apparently fully satisfied that their game car he noticed a pile of baggage near him, and, quickly stepping behind this, he watched the movements of the two men. Apparently fully satisfied that their game would be safely bagged at the hotel, they left the depot and walked rapidly away in the direction of the public house. His ruse worked to a charm. A violent shower happened to be passing over at this time, and it was only natural for the two "safety" men to suppose that Webster had stopped to seek shelter in the depot for a few minutes.

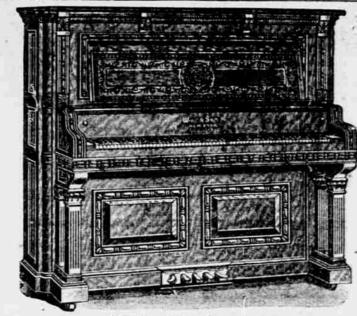
The express train from Memphis was son due, and as it came dashing in "on time" Webster jumped aboard, and was on his way toward Louisville, smilling in his sleeve as he thought of those two crafty foxes whose cunning had overareached themselves, patiently awaiting his arrival at the hotel in Humboldt.

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